Hirakud Dam modernisation scheme

3491. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scheme for the modernisation of Hirakud Dam was received from Orissa Government for clearance at the Central level;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the funding pattern of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The project envisages improvement of existing distribution system at an estimated cost of Rs. 32.60 crores.

(c) Orissa have not included the project in the VII Plan.

Discontentment in the Indian Economic Service

3492. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a serious discontentment in the Indian Economic Service due to lack of promotional avenues for the officers in the Service;

(b) whether the officers have suggested a separate Centralised cadre authority; and

(c) if so, what is Government's decision in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The Service Rules relating to the Indian Economic Service provide for all vacancies arising within the Service (from Grade III upwards) being filled only by promotion. It is, therefore, not correct to say that there is lack of promotion avenues for officers.

(b) and (c) There is already a Centralised Cadre Authority for the Indian Economic Service.

Grant of exemption on custom and excise duties on import of pollution control equipment

3493. SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Environment and Forests has recommended the Ministry of Finance that incentives like 100 percent depreciation allowance as also custom and excise duties exemption which had already been given to energy conservation equipment should also be extended to those equipments used for pollution control; and

(b) if so, to what extent the Ministry's proposal has been considered by the Finance Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the Budget for 1989-90, concessional customs duty of 40 per cent ad valorem has been extended to 25 specified equipments when imported for use in environmtntal pollution control as also for the purpose of safety in chemical industry.

Under the existing provisions of the Income-tax Act, a depreciation of 50 per cent is allowed to the pollution control equipments. Besides this, an investment allowance of 20 per cent is also available. By these concessions, almost the whole cost of the pollution control equipments is recouped in a period of two years.

Suicides in Delhi

3494. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of suicide cases registered in Delhi from October, 1988 till January, 31, 1989;

(b) what was the number of Government employees involved in these cases;

(c) the details of action taken in each case; and

(d) the total number of dowry death cases registered in Delhi from October 1988 till January 1989 and the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) 209 suicide cases were reported during the period.

(b) None.

(c) The cases have been filed after conducting inquest proceedings under Section 174 Cr. P. C.

(d) There were 31 dowry deaths during the period. 66 persons were arrested. Challans have been filed in 4 cases.

Recruitments in BSF and CRPF in Uttar Pradesh

3495. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of recruitments made for Border Security Force and Central Reserve Police Force in Uttar Pradesh during the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 so far alongwith number of places where such recruitments were made;

(b) the total number of Constables recruited;

(c) the number of Muslims and Harijans recruited; and

(d) when these persons were sent for training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The requisite information is as under:—

Year	Number of recruitments		No. of places where recruitments were made	
	BSF	CRPF	BSF	CRPF
1987	21	20	21	20
1988	27	28	27	28
1989	29	Nil	29	Nil

The requisite information is as under:—

	1987	1988	1989
BSF	2446	3395	1 811
CRPF	234	1282	Nil

(c) It is not possible to give information on the number of Muslims recruited as Constables, since recruitment is made on merit and government is not required to maintain data of recruitment made community-wise/religion-wise. The information on the number of Scheduled Castes (Harijans) resruited as Constables from UP is as under:—

	1987	1988	1989
BSF	250	389	170
CRPF	135	421	Nil

(d) Constables recruited in BSF have sent for their basic training in the months shown against the years below:

1987—April, June, October, and November.

1988—April, May, June, July, October and November.

1989—March.

Constables recruited in CRPF have been initially posted at various Group Centres and Training Institutions from